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## **Standard Operating Procedure: Weather**

### **1. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this procedure/guideline is to guide coordinators, officials, and coaches if practices or games are cancelled due to questionable weather conditions.

### **2. SCOPE**

This SOP is intended for coaches, officials, parents, and coordinator(s) involved in WSR Youth Sports. The sports this SOP pertains to include, but are not limited to, basketball, football, volleyball, baseball/softball, soccer, flag football, cheer, and tennis.

#### **Definitions**

- inclement weather – severe or harsh weather that is cold and/or wet, such as extreme heat, thunder storms, tornados, floods, heavy rain, snow, lightning, hail, or other weather conditions determined by the Program Director to be unsafe for the requirements of the sport

### **3. ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CANCELLATIONS PRIOR TO SCHEDULED EVENTS**

Program Director

- Monitors weather conditions via local news, school restrictions, and real-time changes
- Once inclement weather is determined, Program Director will inform coordinators
- Once coordinators are informed, Program Director will inform City Parks and Recreation representatives of possible cancellations

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**Coordinator(s)**

- Inform coaches, within an eight-hour window, of the cancellation (or potential for cancellation) of scheduled events
- Coordinator(s) will provide coaches with real-time information regarding weather conditions and cancellations
- Inform Program Director within three-hour window off official cancellations that coaches were informed

**Coaches**

- Inform parents of cancellation of events within two hours of the previously scheduled/cancelled event and will provide real-time explanations of cancellation
- Inform coordinator within one hour that all parents were notified of cancellation

**4. ON-SITE CANCELLATIONS**

Coordinator and/or coaches will cancel events in play for the following conditions:

- lightning
- hail
- severe cold (24 degrees Fahrenheit, without wind chill)
- severe heat (95 degrees Fahrenheit, with humidity)
- tornado warning
- flash flood warning
- precipitation of more than 2 inches in 1 hour

**5. ATTACHMENTS**

Weather Guidelines for Children